

a community. While time may heal all wounds, the wounds of the division of Cyprus remain fresh today with thousands of Turkish troops continuing to occupy the northern third of the Island, with continuing support from the Ankara based government.

The Republic of Cyprus is a member of the European Union, a strong ally of the United States and a stable democracy in the Mediterranean. The Republic has opened the benefits of EU citizenship to both Greek and Turkish Cypriots on both sides of the divide. Since 2003 there have been confidence building exchanges and partnerships between the two communities and the residents have the ability to travel freely between the Republic of Cyprus and the occupied North.

With all these positive developments happening, some things still remain intractable.

The Turkish troop levels continue to be at the level present thirty-six years ago and Greek religious sites in the North still suffer from neglect. Communities may be free to travel but the Island is still divided based on ethnicity.

Bringing the Greek and Turkish communities together in a bi-zonal, bi-communal federation is the goal of President Obama, the European Union and most importantly it is the goal of the Cypriot people. On the thirty-sixth anniversary of the division of Cyprus, I urge both Cypriot President Demetrius Christofias and Turkish Cypriot leader Dervis Eroglu to redouble their efforts to insure the removal of Turkish troops, free movement between the Greek and Turkish communities and for a final end to the division of the Island. The time is now for us as a Congress and with our President's commitment to move Cyprus to a future of peace and prosperity.

IN HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE OF  
LT. FRANK W. FOUTS V

**HON. DEBORAH L. HALVORSON**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 20, 2010*

Mrs. HALVORSON. Madam Speaker, today I rise with a heavy heart to pay tribute to Lieutenant Frank W. Fouts V, a hero of his community, a proud father, and a loving husband. Lieutenant Fouts served the people of Kankakee as a firefighter and paramedic with honor and courage. Lieutenant Fouts passed away in the line of duty on July 1st, leaving behind an unimpeachable record of service to his fellow citizens and a deep love for his family.

Frank Fouts V was born on October 29, 1972 in Chicago Heights, IL. As a kid, Frank greatly admired his maternal grandparents, who were an active part of his upbringing. He attended local schools and enjoyed playing with his brother. When Frank Fouts graduated from Bloom Trail High School, he volunteered with the Grant Park Fire Department. Frank eventually was hired by the department and was certified as a paramedic. Frank continued to improve himself, attending Southern Illinois University and earning a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Fire Science.

Frank then joined the Kankakee City Fire Department, where he literally wrote the book on responding to medical emergencies. A testament to his skill and knowledge, his texts on

the subject are required reading for all incoming Kankakee firefighters. Frank would build an impressive career, achieving the rank of Lieutenant in the Kankakee City Fire Department.

Frank Fouts was more than a firefighter. He was a family man, who cared deeply for his two young boys, Grant and Parker, and his loving wife, Kathy. A dedicated father, Frank set aside time each week for a boys' night, where he would spend time with his children. When his wife became ill, Frank was at her side, through the hardest hours of illness and recovery.

Lieutenant Fouts' commitment to community and deep affection to family are reasons why he was so adored and why his loss has brought such deep sadness. His service is in keeping with his profession's highest traditions of integrity and courage. We are forever in Frank's debt.

RECOGNIZING SNAP-ON  
INCORPORATED

**HON. TOM LATHAM**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 20, 2010*

Mr. LATHAM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Snap-on Incorporated, headquartered in Kenosha, Wisconsin, on the celebration of the company's 90th anniversary.

The company was formed in 1920 by Joseph Johnson and William Seidemann as the Snap-on Wrench Company. Johnson and Seidemann used the new concept of interchangeable sockets and wrench handles to start the company.

Snap-on products are the foundation for many technicians throughout the state of Iowa and America who earn a living working their skills. Snap-on Incorporated has exported their business and ideals across the country and the world, including a manufacturing facility located in Algona, Iowa. Snap-on also continues to be a supplier to the U.S. Government since World War II. At the present time, Snap-on directly supplies the Armed Forces of the United States of America and NASA. Tools from Snap-on can be seen throughout the military operations in both Iraq and Afghanistan.

I congratulate Snap-on Incorporated and current chairman and CEO, Nicholas Pinchuk on this historic anniversary. I am proud to have a Snap-on facility located within my district and wish them great success in the future.

COMMEMORATING THE 36TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TURKISH INVASION OF CYPRUS

**HON. PETER J. ROSKAM**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 20, 2010*

Mr. ROSKAM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to remember the anniversary of the Turkish invasion of the Republic of Cyprus. Thirty-six years ago today, Turkish troops entered the country in violation of international law, and have since maintained, and even increased their occupation of the Northern portion of Cy-

prus. Besides turning over Greek Cypriot property to new Turkish immigrants it is widely reported that there are currently roughly one Turkish soldier for every two Turkish Cypriots that they are claiming to defend.

Over the past 36 years, the occupation of Cyprus has grown to the point where Turkish troops can be found in almost 37 percent of the country's territory. This increase in occupation has occurred despite the fact that countless resolutions have been adopted by the U.N. Security Council and the U.N. General Assembly discouraging Turkey's continued occupation. These resolutions, which call for the return of refugees and the withdrawal of Turkish troops, have been blatantly ignored.

Turkey's invasion and continued occupation of Cyprus represents a violation of human rights and creates an unnecessary ongoing situation of tension and uncertainty throughout the island. It has resulted in ethnic segregation and a noticeable division between the Greek Cypriots and Turkish Cypriots. Most notably, the Turkish occupation has provoked the forcible expulsion of both Greek and Turkish Cypriots from their homes, leaving nearly one-third of the country in an ambiguous state of homelessness waiting to see if an agreement will ever be reached and their land will ever be returned.

Just weeks ago we celebrated America's Independence Day. We celebrated our freedom and thriving representative democracy. Please join me in taking a moment today to remember and recognize the country of Cyprus as they continue to push for a restored democracy and a safe resolution to Turkish occupation.

THIRTY-SIXTH ANNIVERSARY OF  
THE TURKISH INVASION OF CYPRUS

**HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 20, 2010*

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to mark the thirty-sixth anniversary of Turkey's invasion, and subsequent occupation, of Cyprus. It is deeply concerning to me that every year we are compelled to gather in this chamber to remind the world of the devastating events that led to the division of Cyprus, and to remember those who were killed, injured, or displaced when Turkey invaded the island in 1974. It remains very clear to me, and to most of my colleagues, as well as the vast majority of the international community, that Cyprus must be made whole again and Turkey must be held accountable for its reprehensible actions in dividing the island.

Just fourteen years after gaining its independence from Great Britain, Cyprus was illegally invaded by 6,000 Turkish troops and 40 tanks. These troops swept over the northern section of Cyprus, occupying nearly 40 percent of the island, and forcing hundreds of thousands from their homes. To date, more than 1,600 people remain unaccounted for, including five American citizens.

Thirty-six years after the invasion, we gather to honor and remember those who died. The world does not forget that Cyprus remains a nation divided and that over three thousand Turkish troops still illegally occupy almost half of the island in violation of international law.